

September 6th Annual Member Meeting Minutes

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Judge Foundry Board of Directors

The annual meeting of the members of Judge Foundry was held on Saturday, September 6th, 2025, at 10am Eastern Standard Time by videoconference. President Joe Klopchic presided. Matt Schafer also attended as parliamentarian.

Welcome

Joe Klopchic called the meeting to order at 10:31am and verified that there were a quorum of members present either in person or remotely using electionbuddy software. Current voting members are 564, and 10% are required to be present, which is 58.

New Business

Brooked moved to adopt the [election rules](#) as proposed by the elections committee for the meeting. Steven seconded the motion. The vote required a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority to pass. There were 36 votes in favor and 1 opposed. The meeting rules were adopted.

Brook moved to adopt the [agenda](#). Steven seconded the motion. The vote requires a majority to pass. There were 28 in favor and 1 opposed. The agenda was adopted.

The president, Joe Klopchic appointed Dennis Bradford, Khailyn Schaefer and Walker Meytko to approve the minutes for the Annual Member Meeting.

Dan Collins, the chair of the election committee, explained the process for the election. He noted that we had eight candidates for the board, and two candidates for the RA of the Great Lakes Region. None of the other regions had more than one applicant for RA.

Dan randomly determined an order that the candidates would be able to give a five minute speech. The order determined was Joe Steet, Joe Klopchic, Ryan Sears, Tobias Vyseri, Khailyn Schaefer, Charles Ferguson, Rob McKenzie, Ryan Wood. Joe Steet and Tobias Vyseri declined to give speeches.

Dan Collins opened up voting for the board members at 11:15am

Chris Hrichishen gave the report from the bylaws committee. He presented a proposed [amendment to the bylaws](#).

A 90% majority vote was required for the bylaw to pass. There were 24 votes in favor and 3 against. The motion did not pass.

Joe made a motion to request that the future board propose a bylaw amendment to allow a longer period of time to elect officers, and to call a special member meeting to vote on the amendment. Ryan seconded the motion. A majority of votes needed to be in favor to pass. There were 26 votes in favor and 3 against. The motion passed.

Rob made a motion to have the future board make a webmaster project. Dennis seconded. A majority of votes needed to be in favor to pass. There were 23 votes in favor and 2 against. The motion passed.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:01pm

Conference Presentations

There was no new business to discuss before the conference presentations began at 2:00pm though there was no official business.

2:00pm - Judges Build Local Player Communities - Rob McKenzie

2:30pm - The SAT: Strategies, Approaches and Tips for Judge Foundry Tests - Matt Marheine

3:30pm - 12 Years, 12 Lessons - Brook Gardner-Durbin

4:30pm - MTR Communication Policy - Steven Zwanger

Joe Klopchic resumed the meeting at 5:30pm

Election Results

Dan reported the results of the board of directors election. 30% of the total eligible members submitted a ballot. In the first round Tobias Vyseri, Rob McKenzie and Joe Klopchic were elected. The second round brought Ryan Wood onto the board. Joe Steet and Charles Ferguson were eliminated from the ballot, making Khailyn Schaefer the final board member.

In the Great Lakes Regional Advocate election Ryan Sears received 9 votes, while Khailyn Schaefer received 5.

The floor opened for new business but other than some appreciation from the members, there was nothing anyone wanted to discuss.

Adjournment

Joe Klopchic adjourned the meeting a 5:43 pm